

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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SECRETARY'S MEMORANDUM 1030-049

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER SECTION 14 OF
THE WATERSHED PROTECTION AND FLOOD PREVENTION ACT, 16
U.S.C. 1012.**

1 BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Pursuant to Section 14 of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, 16 U.S.C. 1012, as added by Section 313 of the Grain Standards and Warehouse Improvement Act of 2000, Public Law 106-472, the Secretary is authorized to provide technical and financial assistance to local sponsoring organizations, such as flood control districts, soil and water conservation districts, and municipalities, to rehabilitate water resource projects that are owned and operated by the sponsors and were installed under programs administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

2 ACTIONS ORDERED

The Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment is hereby delegated the authority vested in the Secretary by Section 14 of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, 16 U.S.C. 1012. This authority is further delegated through the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment to the Chief, NRCS, without any restrictions on re-delegation.

3 EFFECTIVE DATE

The provisions of this memorandum are effective immediately.

4 TERMINATION

This memorandum shall remain in effect for one year, or until such earlier time as the Department's published delegations of authority have been revised to incorporate the provisions of this memorandum.

Ann M. Veneman
Secretary